

HOME NEWS

—There will be a sacramental meeting at the Marlinton church next Sunday.

—Will McLaughlin sprained his ankle while playing football last Saturday.

—The Marlinton football team has challenged the English team at Mingo, for a game of football here on Thanksgiving day.

—N. C. McNeil, of Marlinton, and S. S. Varner, of Split Rock, are off to Charleston as petit jurors of the Federal Court.

—Greenbrier Presbytery has been divided; all churches below Hinton, formerly in this presbytery form the Kanawha Presbytery.

—Some people about this place are said to be very businesslike. They sell their corn in the fall at sixty cents, and buy it back in the winter at one dollar.

—The many friends of Mrs. S. B. Hannah will be pleased to know that she has so far recovered from her severe injuries as to be about equal to her domestic duties.

—Mr. J. H. Curry is about well of the suffering that required the amputation of his finger, and hopes soon to resume his work, suspended so long by his injury.

—It's a cold day when a whiskey man gets left, but J. Alex. Bumgardner, the man who has manufactured the famous brand of whiskey, of Staunton, has assigned his entire property.

—It looks specially providential that the nice residences owned by Messrs. Gladwell and Yeager were not burned by the Oliver conflagration. There was a lively fusillade of cartridges. One perforated the dining room window at Gladwell's. This indicates the door was open on that side.

—Levi Gay, Esq., as receiver, is prepared to make a prompt payment of 25 per cent on the U. S. McNeil debt, and is now paying out money at this rate. All law suits which have been duly reported and decreed to be paid, will receive their money by calling on him.

—A survey has been begun from this place to the C. & O. Railroad, in the Southeastern part of the State. The route from here is up Craven's Run to the top of Chestnut mountain, and across to Shaffer's Fork, and thence to the head of Shaffer's Fork, across the divide, and down Greenbrier river.—*Elkins Inter-Mountain.*

—Andrew Sheets, son of William Sheets, of Green Bank, met with a severe accident, several weeks since, while logging near Alexander, Upshur county, narrowly escaping with his life. The doctor thought by amputating half of the foot the rest might be saved. The results were not favorable, so there was a second amputation, just above the ankle joint. His father brought him home last week, he stood the journey well, and is improving rapidly.

—The hauling of the material used for building the court-house, is something immense. Sixty tons of stone are being hauled from Hot Springs, thirty-four miles over two mountains. Forty tons of other material is at Ronoverette, 46 miles distant, to be hauled. There will be probably two hundred tons in all to come from the railroad. There have been thousands of loads of stone and probably 700,000 bricks. A one-horse load of brick is about three thousand pounds.

—Those who have noticed the moon this week, have remarked that it appeared unusually large. The *Scientific American* explains this as being due to the fact that the moon is in its perigee, and very much nearer the earth than usual. Hence there is very good reason that the moon should appear larger. It is noticed on the 16th. Another astronomical phenomenon is attracting the attention of the scientific this month, the next April. It is said that the earth's atmosphere, and then become so dense that it can hardly be seen to move its luminous disk slowly. This is supposed to be due to a large black spot which pervades around it and in between between the star and the earth, blocking off the light of the sun.

—A critical operation was performed the 31 of November on the left eye of Mrs. Mary Ann Woodell, relict of the late Andrew Woodell, of Green Bank, by the resident physicians, Moomau, Austin, and Little. Thirty-three years ago, her brothers being in the service, she helped her father, the venerable Thomas Kerr, in the meadows. Something, supposed to have been a haycock, got into her eye, and has caused her suffering ever since. The injury has become so painful and swollen it was deemed necessary to extract the eye to save her life.

—The Green Bank vicinity seems to excel in productive gardens. Some fine specimens were shown the writer during a recent visit. Mr. George W. Kerr exhibited an "old field" turnip that weighed seven pounds. The top was three feet high, and it would require both hands to grasp it. Mr. John R. Warwick showed a cabbage head that weighed seventeen pounds when free from stalk and surplus leaves, and seemed solid as a block of wood. Mrs. J. C. Arbogast seems to excel in the best industry.

—A Levels man has a way of keeping chestnuts by burying them as one does vegetables. This is said to keep the worms from destroying them, and, also, to keep them fresh and sweet. The greatest trouble with chestnuts is that the worms destroy them often before they can be marketed, let the dealer be ever so expeditious, so if this is a successful way of keeping them it will be a great boon. The idea belongs to the ground squirrel, who stores his hoard in a hole in the ground.

—There is one case of typhoid fever on Elk. This dread disease has seldom appeared in Pocahontas, and it is to be hoped that every precaution will be taken to prevent the fever spreading. About ten per cent. of the cases of typhoid fever are fatal. Cold weather will not stop it. The only safe way is to burn everything that comes out of the patient's room.

—The Marlinton Debating Club will have an unusually interesting session next Friday evening at 7 p. m. The question is "Resolved that Washington deserves more praise for defending America than Columbus for discovering it." Affirmative E. H. Smith, and J. Woods Price; negative J. H. G. Wilson, and G. H. McLaughlin.

—The marriage of Mr. Amos S. Gay and Miss Mary M. Barlow daughter of Josiah Barlow, was performed at Marlinton, Tuesday morning, November 13th, by Rev. William T. Price. Congratulations are hereby cordially extended.

—Mr. Andrew McLaughlin was in Pocahontas this week and last on matters of special importance.

Kellison Recaptured.

Kellison, the boy charged with burglary, who escaped from the Huntersville jail, about dusk on the evening of November 5th, was brought back to jail last Sunday by Doss Rymal, of Hunter, assisted by a man named Crummett, having enjoyed a week's holiday.

Mr. Rymal was riding along and met the boy and questioned at once that it was Kellison. He asked some lumbermen about it, but they were disposed to shield him and gave evasive answers. Rymal then got his pistol and overtaking Kellison, ordered him to drop all intentions of crossing the state line which was very near, and come to jail. Kellison protested, saying that he was just in from Staunton on most pressing business, and denied that he was the man. He came to Huntersville, however, and was identified.

Jailer Doyle had offered a reward of \$25, which was the immediate cause of his being brought back. Kellison's mother lives near Hunter, which is within a quarter of a mile of the state line. It was very foolish in the boy not going away when he had a chance, when he stands convicted of a felony, with no hope of escaping the penalty.

Jack Leary contradicts that when he ran out of the jail by him that he passed between his legs, a report that has been circulated.

"It is not what you put before your pocket but what you take out that will make you rich."

OBITUARY

FRANCIS MARION DURBIN.

F. M. Durbin, Esq., well known to the citizens of Marlinton and elsewhere in our county, died in Parkersburg, Sunday morning, November 1st, aged about fifty-seven years.

He was stricken of apoplexy, Thursday morning previous, and lingered unconscious until the end. He was born and reared at Morgantown, and before attaining his majority, became clerk in the Morgantown bank, and during life was actively employed in the banking business, with but few intervals for recreation owing to broken health. He was cashier of the First National Bank of Grafton, then of the First National Bank of Parkersburg, and at the time of his decease, was cashier of the Wood County Bank.

He was married in 1860, and his estate wife and one son survive him. His wife was Miss Pickenpaugh of Morgantown. His son, C. R. Durbin, resides at Grafton, and is prominent in business affairs. Mother and son maintain an irreparable loss.

Mr. Durbin's financial genius and business experience was frequently sought for. He seems to have been esteemed and honored as few persons have been in this respect.

He was a conspicuous member of the M. P. Church, but had many attached Christians friends in denominations.

He will be long and affectionately remembered by the Sabbath School at Marlinton, and many others, for his liberal views and fervent Christian example.

He was often heard to remark that of all places he ever lived in, he found Marlinton to be his preference for congenial Christian fellowship, pleasant society, and healthful climate in its influence upon himself.

MRS. ANN NOURSE VANDERVOORT

The sympathies of our entire community were deeply awakened by the sudden death of this estimable lady, the wife of Mr. William Vandervoort.

She was paralyzed Thursday night and lingered until Friday, in a comatose condition, when she gently passed away in the 76th year of her life. These worthy people were on the eve of their golden nuptials, having been married about fifty years. She was a professing Christian for forty years in the M. P. Church. She possessed to a remarkable degree the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit.

Mrs. E. D. Kiser and Mr. Frank Vandervoort are her children.

"Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep. From which none ever wakes to weep."

ADAM MARSHALL.

Adam Marshall, youngest son of Capt. J. W. Marshall, of Mingo, died Saturday, November 10th, of typhoid fever, at his home, aged 18 years. His illness was prolonged through weary weeks, hopes and fears alternating in the hearts of his devoted father, sisters, brothers, and hosts of sympathizing friends. He was a very quiet and amiable youth. The past two years he was much about Marlinton as a cadet of the Academy, and was greatly esteemed as a diligent student.

Being a child of the Covenant, the son of a mother passed into the skies, and the subject of many prayers and tears, there is much to console his friends in this sad event that removes a youth so interesting.

DALLAS MCKEEVER.

Dallas McKeever, youngest son of Geo. W. McKeever, on Swago, died, last week, aged 18 years. He was sick three weeks and died of a relapse of diphtheria. A few weeks ago he was the picture of strength and vitality. His death came as a great shock to his friends, and was very unexpected. He was a brother of G. H. McKeever of Marlinton.

The Musical Association.

The singers of the county met in convention at Marlinton, on Thursday last, and continued in session for three days. The best talent was represented. Mr. S. B. Moore of Mingo, has been President of the body for eight years, and was re-elected. H. Lee White, of Dinwiddie, was Secretary. The society held their semi-annual session at different points throughout the county.

The time is passed in singing and song, and discussion of topics

pertaining to music. The music is led by the singers, turn about, who by the way, are all called professors.

One amusing thing happened. A Professor was up leading a piece of music, when a gentleman on the back seat, who had imbibed something far more affecting than the intoxicating strains of music, woke up and demanded that they give the professor a harp, and became quite clamorous.

The musical association is an institution that has come to stay, and to a great number of our citizens, who have good voices, its meetings are looked forward to as one of the pleasantest events of the year.

Personal.

STUDENTS.

Mathews Hannah has entered the famous business college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Robert Kerr, of Green Bank, writes home twice a week from West Point, and is progressing well; he ranks nineteenth in a class of one hundred and twenty.

Hunter Mooman has matriculated as a medical student in a Baltimore college.

James Mooman, followed his old teacher, Professor Arbuckle, to Spring Garden, Pittsylvania county, Va., where there is a flourishing high school.

Master Willie Bestor, lately with his uncle S. L. Brown, of Marlinton, is with his mother in Baltimore, and at school. His grandfather, Mr. Wm. L. Brown, saw on a recent business trip, Hezekiah Willie which he liked best, Baltimore or Marlinton. "When I am in Baltimore I think I would like to be at Marlinton; when I am in Marlinton, I think I like Baltimore best."

THE SCHOOLS.

Miss Myrtle Herold has charge of the Glade Hill school.

Miss Bessie Patterson is teaching the Cross Roads school, half way between Dunmore and Green Bank.

Miss Nora Riley teaches at the Hanna school-house.

Miss Bertie Beard teaches at Pine Grove, north-east of Green Bank.

Miss Lena McLaughlin, at the commodious new Driftwood school house.

Miss Dora Brownlee, of Waynesboro, Va., conducts the Green Bank school.

Capt. C. B. Swecker, of Dunmore, a veteran correspondent of this paper, has been quite unwell for several weeks.

An interesting Sabbath school closed recently at Sunset. Misses Belle and Anna Cleek received prizes awarded for memorizing Scripture.

A. S. Bratton, Esq., of Bath, was in Marlinton last Sunday to visit his son, W. A. Bratton, who returned to Virginia with him, to be gone a week.

Captain Smith, the lumber king, is absent at Ronoverette.

Mrs. Van Buren Arbogast, of Traveler's Rest, with her nephew, Yeager Beard, and niece Miss Vera Lebetter, were in this village for a few days last week.

The Board of Canvassers.

The Board of Canvassers of this county, consisting of the members of the County Court, met this week on Monday and Tuesday, to count the votes. They were two days in finishing and had a lot of work to do. At Academy, the certificates of the qualification of the election officers had not been properly filled out, and the commissioners and clerks had to be summoned, and their evidence written down. Split Rock was a little informal in its returns, also Lobelia. The conclusion has been reached that the Australian Election Law is a daisy and posseth all understanding.

Wanted.

Wanted has made its appearance. Quote a sweet nurse at this writing, her. Fairly sweet and young here on the 24th, sixteen, resulting in six convulsions.

Care-taking seems to be the order of the day. Owing to the dry season, work is turning out well.

Mr. Dick Smith and son return

ed from Beverly last week with a load of flour.

Miss Lucy Chestnut, of Bath county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Agnes Gifford.

Mr. Henry Barlow and wife and Mrs. George Baxter, of Elray, were visiting friends and relatives here last week.

Mr. Allen Galford raised the horse pumpkin this season, which weighed sixty pounds.

Mrs. Isabel Slaven, of Gillespie, was the guest of Mrs. Allen Barner last week.

Quite a number of persons from this vicinity attended the funeral of Mr. Charles Heuser, last Sunday, at the Moore School House. Also, the baptizing at the river, and report a crowd of four or five hundred people present on this occasion.

D. L. Barlow, County Superintendent, was visiting schools in this section, last week.

Miss Ella Kerr is teaching the Cold Run school, near Mr. James McLaughlin's.

Miss Eddy Wilfong, of Driftwood, was the guest of Miss Lizzie Wilfong, last Saturday night, and returned to her home on Sunday.

Mr. J. N. Gum is visiting her sister and brother near Gillespie.

Why not have our mail three times a week up Back Allegheny? Nov. 5. A CORRESPONDENT.

Green Bank.

Mr. J. Jackson, of Virginia, and Miss Lucy Slye passed through our burg last Saturday enroute for Monterey, Virginia.

Mr. G. D. Oliver will move into the S. Cooper property this week. We welcome him to our village.

Mrs. George Beverage and daughter, who have been ill with diphtheria, are convalescing.

Mrs. A. C. Sheets is ill with the dreaded diphtheria.

Mrs. S. C. Gay is convalescing.

The TIMES says that there was no sectional feeling raised over Barlow's candidacy, and that he was voted for simply as the nominee of the Democratic party, which is enough to say that he is the right man for the right place. Then why was Hon. J. P. Moomau scratched by voters of certain sections, he being the nominee of the same party.

Three cheers for old Green Bank District! If our voters did have to ride over the rugged Greenbrier Valley, they came in mass and for Democracy. Shame on the lower Districts for going astray because of prejudices.

Married: on the 7th instant, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. P. C. Ervine, Mr. Bud Arbogast and Miss Clara Ervine.

Married: on the 7th instant, (as reported) at the home of the bride, in Crabbottom, Virginia, Mr. Jesse Patterson and Miss Mollie Arbogast. That happiness may be their portion is the wish of your correspondent. OLD HICKEY.

Dilly's Mill.

Sweet summer is gone, and we feel the chilling winds of another winter.

The election is over and the Solid South is broken.

Mr. Johnnie Shrader is quite sick, at this writing, with typhoid fever.

Some of our young people attended the Musical Association, at Marlinton.

Messrs. W. and J. Shrader held a hunking bee on the 9th instant, at which there were present twenty-four hands.

The people of this vicinity have been packing and reaping grain to the Dunmore mill. Dilly's mill was much damaged by stopping to remove sawdust in the dam.

We understand that Benick Kerr found the head and hide of one of his hogs in Michael's Mountain. It is not very healthy for fat hogs in that part.

Mr. Morgan Grimes had several bundles of corn stolen from a pile in the barn where he had been looking. Lock out, therefore, there are traps and Winchester in this neighborhood, and they will be resorted to.

Professor G. E. Moore has been visiting weathermen and friends near Ansonia.

Quarterly meeting of Mr. Tabernash Sunday. Rev. C. H. Feltz presided, from Berea, Ohio. That chapter of 34 and 400 men.

Rev. B. B. Little is in conference in Indiana Conference. The people are very much to give up such a waste of time.

A. C. Moore, the famous hunter, and W. L. Moore killed last week deer in Martin's Mountain.

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Historical Collections.

In 1778, an attack was made by about
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fort stood on Rader's Run in Green-
brier county, ten miles from Lewisburg.
It was a double log house, with a chim-
ney in the center, and surrounded by a
stockade of split logs. The house was
destroyed about the year 1825, at which
time many bullets were found in the
timber. The doors have been preserved
and a few weeks since they were
brought into Lewisburg to be shipped to
the Museum of the West Virginia
Historical Society, at Charleston.

Dick Pointer the old negro who acted
so gallantly in his defense, died in the
thirties. The state had purchased his
freedom in reward for his services, and
he was buried with the honors of war.
The account of the attack on Don-
nelly's Fort is here given from *Stuart's*
Memories:

Intelligence having been conveyed to
Col. Donnelly of the approach of the
Indians, he lost no time in collecting all
his nearest neighbors that night, and
sent a servant to my house to in-
form me. Before day about twenty
men, including Hammond and Prior,
were collected at Donnelly's, and they
had advantage of a stockade fort on the
adjoining house. On the next day
they kept a good look-out, in mo-
mentary expectation of the enemy.

Colonel Samuel Lewis was at my
house when Donnelly's servant came
with the intelligence; and we lost no
time in alarming the people, and to col-
lect as many men for defense as we
could get at Camp Union all the next
day. But all were busy; some flying
with their families to the inward settle-
ments, and others securing their prop-
erty, so that in the course of the day,
we had not collected near one hundred
men. On the following day we sent
out two scouts to Donnelly's, very early
in the morning, who soon returned with
intelligence that the fort was attacked.
The scouts had got within one mile, and
heard the guns firing briskly. We de-
termined to give all the aid we could to
the besieged, and every man who was
willing to go was paraded. They amount-
ed to sixty-eight in all, including
Colonel Lewis, Captain Arbuckle,
and myself. We drew near Donnelly's
house about two o'clock, P. M., but
heard no firing. For the sake of expedi-
tion we had left the road for a nearer
way, which led to the back side of the
house, and thus escaped falling into an
ambuscade, placed on the road some
distance from the house, which might
have been fatal to us, being greatly in-
ferior to the enemy in numbers. We
soon discovered Indians, behind trees
in a ryefield, looking earnestly at the
house. Charles Gatliff and I fired up-
on them, when we saw others running in
the rye, near where they stood. We all
ran directly to the fort. The people,
on hearing the guns on the back side of
the house, supposed that it was another
party of Indians; and all were at the
port-holes ready to fire upon us; but
soon discovering that we were their
friends, opened the gates and we all got
in safe. One man only was shot
through his clothes.

When we got into the fort, we found
that there were only four men killed.
Two of them were coming to the
fort, fell into the midst of the Indians,
and were killed. A servant of Donnelly's
was killed early in the morning on the
first attack; and one man was
killed in a bastion in the fort. The In-
dians had commenced their attack
about daylight in the morning, when
the people were all in bed, except Phil-
lip Hammond and an old negro. The
house formed one part of the fort, and
we doubt, the kitchen making one
end of the house, and there Hammond
and the negro were. A hoghead of
water was placed against the door.
The enemy had laid down their guns
at a stable, about fifty yards from the
house, and made their attack with tom-
hawks and warclubs. Hammond and
the negro held the door till they were
spitting it with their tomahawks; they
easily let the door open, and Ham-
mond killed the Indian on the thresh-
old, who was spitting the door. The
negro held a musket charged with
powder, and was jumping upon us in
the front asking Hammond "where he
should shoot?" Hammond bade him
fire away among them; for the fort
was crowded so thick as they could
stand. Dick fired away, and, I believe,
with good effect; for a few-club lay in
the yard with a cross-bow in it. Dick
is now upwards of eighty years old,
and has long been abandoned by his owner
as being too old to be of service.

they have made out to support their
miserable existence, many years past,
by their own endeavors. This is the
negro to whom our Assembly, at its
last session, refused to grant a small
pension to support the short remainder
of his wretched days, which must soon
end, although his humble petition was
supported by certificates of the most
respectable men in the county, of his
meritorious services on this occasion,
which saved the lives of many citizens
then in the house.

The firing of Hammond and Dick
awakened the people in the other end
of the house, and up stairs, where the
chief of the men were lying. They
soon fired out of the windows on the
Indians so briskly, that when we got to
the fort, seventeen of them lay dead in
the yard, one of whom was a boy about
fifteen or sixteen years old. His body
was so torn by the bullets that a man
might have run his arm through him,
yet he lived almost all day, and made a
most lamentable cry. The Indians
called to him to go into the house.

After dark, a fellow dressed near to the
fort and called out in English that he
wanted to make peace. We invited
him in to consult on the terms, but he
declined our civility. They departed
that night, after dragging eight of their
slain out of the yard; but we never af-
terwards found where they buried them.
They visited Greenbrier but
twice afterwards, and then in very
small parties, one of which killed a
man and his wife, of the name of Mun-
day, and wounded Captain Samuel
McClung. The last person killed was
Thomas Griffith; his son was taken,
but going down the Kanawha, they
were pursued, one of the Indians was
killed, and the boy was relieved, which
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Clerk of Court, S. L. Brown.
Clerk of Court, J. H. Patterson.
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THE COURTS.

Circuit Court convenes on the first Tuesday in April, 2nd Tuesday in June and 3rd Tuesday in October.
County Court convenes on the 1st Tuesday in January, March, October, and second Tuesday in July July is very term.

N. C. McNEIL,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
Marlinton, West Va.

Will practice in the Courts of Pocahontas and adjoining Counties, and in the Court of Appeals of the State of West Virginia.

L. M. McCLINTIC,
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Marlinton, W. Va.

Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas and adjoining counties and in the Supreme Court of Appeals.

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Huntersville, W. Va.

Will practice in the courts of Pocahontas county and in the Supreme Court of Appeals.

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D. O. J. CAMPBELL,
DENTIST,
Marlinton, Va.

Will visit Pocahontas County, at least twice a year.
The exact date of his visits will appear in this paper.

D. J. H. WEYMOUTH,
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HOME PROPRIETORSHIP.

The subject of farmer home proprietorship, for the first time in the history of any country has been considered by the United States government, and the results have been made public lately from the Census office. Of the twelve million six hundred and ninety thousand one hundred and fifty-two families living in the states and territories, nearly one half own their farms and homes, and the others rent. Of the families owning their homes and farms, about twenty-eight per cent. have incumbrances, and something more than seventy-two per cent. have no incumbrances. This shows up well for the farming interest as being on a firm financial basis. The stability of the government mainly depends on those who have homes and are out of debt. This was the state of affairs in 1890. Matters may be something different now, but not very materially so.

No Gerrymander.

Those Republicans who are fondly dreaming of a gerrymander of the Senatorial and Delegate districts of the State for exclusively partisan purposes will be interested in the fact that the thing is impossible. No general rearrangement of the State for members of the Legislature may submit a projected change in other than a census year to a vote of the people, who must assent to it by a majority vote at a general election before the Legislature can act.

This will come as a shock to a number of Republicans, who have been prematurely rearranging the map of the State so as to make it possible to relegate Democrats to a permanent minority position in the Legislature, but they must endeavor to live down their disappointment, and meanwhile we shall select our Senators and delegates upon the old basis.

The Republicans can and doubtless will gerrymander the State for Congressional purposes, but there their power for mischief ends.—*Wheeling Register.*

Roaring Creek Railroad.

The Italians employed on the Roaring Creek and Charleston railroad, about four hundred in number, who have not been paid anything for nearly three months, struck Monday. President Diller and General Manager Womelsdorf are in Pennsylvania, ostensibly for the purpose of procuring money with which to pay off, and, unless they return the first of the week, the men, who are on the verge of starvation, may become desperate. They have already torn out the switches, thus imprisoning the only engine on the road, at the town of Womelsdorf, about five miles from Roaring Creek Junction, where the road connects with the West Virginia Central—*Tygart's Valley News.*

Judge Joseph T. Hoke, of the Circuit Court of Randolph county, in vacation at Grafton, appointed T. Bennett Phillips, of Philadelphia, relieved for the Roaring Creek & Charleston Railroad Company, with bond at \$80,000. This road is located in Randolph county, and connects with the West Virginia Central railroad at Roaring Creek Junction, in said county. About ten miles is now built and in operation through the Roaring Creek coal region. The original intention was to run the road from Roaring Creek Junction through the State to Charleston.—*Intelligencer.*

"Well, I've studied the matter over thoroughly, and have come to the conclusion that there is only one place where the Democrats stand conviction."
"Where?"
"Where?" was asked from a crowd of the democrats.
"In the Dictionary."

Our Japanese Letter.

(Special Correspondence.)
Seoul, Corea, November 10th.

Not having seen anything in your valuable paper from this part, I will this evening drop you a few lines concerning the "gardaparmie," "or going on," of the Japanese army in this country of Corea. By great good luck, I was able to find the company of which my friend, Suchero, is captain. When he and I were together at school in the United States, he had often talked of the likelihood of a war between Japan and China, and he had promised me that to write to me to come in such an event, if there was any chance of my participating in the war. He wrote me in August to come, and I arrived in Yokohama on November 3d, and found my friend Suchero's regiment had been ordered to this part of the empire to look after the insurrection, which had risen and assassinated the Honorable Mr. Kimpski, Vice-President of the Council of State. These fiends in Chinese form, constitute an organized gang under the name Long-laks.

On the evening of October 30th, as Mr. Kimpski sat, or rather squatted, at supper, a new waiter, whom he had recently hired, and who was a Tonghai in disguise, suddenly entered bearing a large hogshoed used to store rice in, which had been nailed in the back yard, and ere Kimpski could move, it was placed over him and the bird was caged. The signal being given, about a dozen Tonghais filed into the room, and began firing the hogshoed full of holes. After the Vice-President had been thus most foully murdered, the gang ransacked the house, and dispersed as silently as they had come.

Word being sent at once to the Japanese capital, a regiment was ordered to the scene, which happened to be one to which Suchero belongs. He told me to come along and act as a lieutenant, and see how I liked it, and that I could enlist regularly when we came back, if I so desired. But we had only a half-hour to the time of assembling to march on board of the ship waiting for us at the wharf.

On going out and walking quickly, we came to a sort of armory, which looked like a flat cattle barn in a barn-yard, and I had my first sight of Japanese soldiers. At a distance they looked like a cadet school of half-grown boys, who had been cheated into buying poor uniforms which had shrunk out of shape. However, a close look at the average soldier impresses you with the idea that he would about as leave cut your heart out as look at you. They are well armed with a sort of musket, and bayonet, but what impresses the observer most was that they were continually whetting, whetting, and whetting at murderous looking knives, with a blade about a foot long, and continually trying the edge by cutting a hair that has been pulled from American dog, with a fine silky coat. The hair of an average Japanese is so brittle that if it falls on the floor it will break. Another noticeable, though unmentionable, thing about a Jap soldier is his smell, which is his own peculiarity that cannot be imitated. The ordinary American can follow the trail of the army like a dog after a deer.

About 2 o'clock, the regiment, lounging about the armory, fell in and trotted off briskly down the street to the quay.

A big wooden ship was lying near the stone wharf with a plank inclined so that one man at a time could walk up on the deck.

At the head of the plank was a keen-eyed looking official, whose duty it was to scan closely the face of everyone entering the ship, and who could detect the spy or traitor that might be embarking with the army. One fellow was stopped and placed under arrest, and then I remembered that this man had been a little too enthusiastic

tic at the armory, though the Inspector could not have known this. There may be an opportunity to know in the future how true the Inspector's suspicions are.

We were sailing west before night, and last evening we landed at this place and went into camp. There is not a riding horse in our regiment, and there is comparatively little to transport. Our work will lie within a twenty-mile radius of this place, and the country is very mountainous and broken, in a few miles from the sea, and we have had country before us to break up a bad gang of toughs in.

The regiment is camped in a narrow bottom, on a beautifully clear creek. The soldiers are in messes of about twenty each, and they put everything they can get to eat in one big iron pot holding about a bushel, and make tea in another. When they eat, they take the dinner out of the pot with anything they can get until it cools sufficiently to allow the hand to be thrust. They are still whetting their knives.

We will have a lot of work to do in a day or two, and you may expect a letter next week, if anything happens. J. T.

An Ostrich Fight.

The San Diego (Cal.) correspondent of the Chicago Tribune wrote this about a prize fight between ostriches on his farm:

There is novelty about an ostrich fight. The ponderous birds are quick as cats. They use their feet more dexterously than a pugilist uses his fists and with far more deadly effect. One of these birds can thrust his bony, pointed toe through an inch board with very slight effort. Such a blow is enough to kill an ox. With a single kick one of these ostriches would disembowel a man instantly.

The fight started over the division of cabbage leaves which Keeper Campbell had thrown to the hungry birds. Seldom have two bipeds fought with more desire to kill than did these ostriches. And a royal fight it was in the eyes of the keeper as he saw plumes wrote \$10 each soar from the body of a bird in response to the kick of the enemy and fall crumpled and worthless into the dust.

Feathers didn't count for much in the flashing eyes of the ostriches.

They wanted blood.

Nothing but pure gore would satisfy their sense of honor.

Blood they did get and enough to satisfy Governor Waite ere the battle ceased. With a deep hiss and outstretched wings ostrich Jim bore down on Colonel like a forty-footer in a gale, sheered to the right, and caught Colonel on the left thigh, ripping the thick hide off the bare leg and causing it to bleed freely. Colonel retaliated, and almost crippled Jim's wing with a kick that nearly capsize him. They then sparred with feet and beaks, picking and kicking feathers from one another, until Colonel dealt a terrific blow on Jim's stomach which seemed to literally lift him from the ground. Only the thick mass of feathers prevented the awful toe from penetrating Jim's abdomen.

Jim was game. Regaining his breath he knocked Colonel over with a side kick, breaking his wing. Colonel recovered his feet before the attack was renewed. Both birds had by this time lost their plumes, and looked as if they had been plucked. Both were tired and weak from loss of blood. Their attacks grew feeble, and finally, as if by common consent, they ceased fighting and walked off among the bushes to recuperate.

The fight was a draw and the anxious keeper felt relieved that the birds lived.—*N. F. Advertiser.*

A Western writer, writing of a contemporary, says: "His intellect is so dense that it would take the anger of common sense longer to here into it than it would to boot into the Rockies with a loaded cart."

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"Jack of No. 18."

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When the alarm rings Jack runs first to one horse, then to another, biting at their hind legs, as if to hurry them up. He closely follows the engine, and when the scene of the fire is reached is the first to dash amid the smoke and flames. On one occasion, during a fire on Forty-second street, his paws were badly burned because he persisted in remaining with the men on the tin roof of a burning building. At another time he tried to follow the men up a ladder; he actually managed to scramble up eight rounds, but could not get down again with assistance.—*New York Advertiser.*

Special Notice.

All persons having any claims against the Manly Manufacturing Company or any sub-contractor for materials furnished or labor performed for building of Court House and Jail at Marlinton, are hereby notified to file itemized accounts of same, and name of debtor, with S. L. Brown, Clerk, on or before November 25th, 1894, and to meet Court of County Commissioners on November 26th, 1894, for the purpose of properly substantiating same for settlement.

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